

KEY FACTS ABOUT

Children birth to 3 years, their families, and the child care system that serves them

Montana

Total population: 902,195



An average of 2,312 children 0-3 are served per month by the Child Care and Development Fund

(FY 2001 ACF-801 data)

In Federal Fiscal Year 2003 the Infant/Toddler Child Care and Development Fund Set-Aside = \$286,603

(FY 2004 CCDF Allocations and Earmarks, U.S. Dept. of HHS, ACF)



245 children plus 145 Tribal children served by 7 grantees are in Early Head Start

2003 Early Head Start Funded Enrollment) (EHSNRC Database—July 2003)

49% of all the requests for child care to the child care resource and referral programs were for infant and toddler care

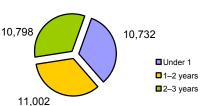
(Child Care Profile, United States/NACCRRA, March 2003)



574 children under 3 are served by the Early Intervention Program

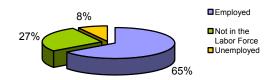
(U.S. Dept. of Education, Office of Special Ed. Programs, Data Analysis System (DANS), Dec. 2002)

32,532 Children Under 3 Live in Montana



U.S. Census 2000

65% of Montana Women with Children Under the Age of 3 Are in the Labor Force



Current Population Survey, March 2001

Professional Development of Infant/Toddler Caregivers

Infant/Toddler Caregiver

Credential: Yes

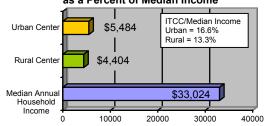
Infant/Toddler Child 22 issued in 2002 Development Associate*: 1 issued in 1998

Early Learning

Guidelines for 0–3: No

*Council on Professional Recognition

Annual Cost of Infant/Toddler Child Care as a Percent of Median Income



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In Center-Based Care the staff-to-child ratios are

1:4 for 0 to 23 months; 1:8 for 24 to 36 months (State Licensing Regulations)

In Family Child Care the staff-to-child ratios are

1:4 infants only (0–24 months) 1:6 with no more than 3 under 2 years of age (State Licensing Regulations)

In Group Home Child Care the staff-to-child ratios are

1:6 for infants only; 2:12 with only 6 under the age of 2 (State Licensing Regulations)

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For the CCDF Administrator's Contact Information go to: http://nccic.org/statedata/dirs/devfund.html
For more information about Montana go to: http://nccic.org/statedata/statepro/montana.html



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